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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: WATANABE et al.)

Examiner: Peter D. MULCAHY)

Application Number: 09/488,762)

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For: MEDICAL ADHESIVE TAPE OR SHEET, AND FIRST-AID ADHESIVE TAPE

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the final Office Action dated December 2, 2003, for which the Examiner has set a three-month period for response. A Petition for a one-month extension of time and the requisite fee are submitted herewith, thus making the response due on or before April 2, 2004.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.